

## **NOKOMIS POND**

Palmyra Twp., Somerset Co. Newport Twp., Penobscot Co. U.S.G.S. Newport, Maine

## **Fishes**

Smallmouth bass White perch Yellow perch Chain pickerel White sucker Hornpout (bullhead)
Pumpkinseed sunfish
Black crappie
American eel

## **Physical Characteristics**

Area - 199 acres Temperatures: Surface - 74°F

Maximum depth - 24 feet 20 feet - 65°F

Principal fisheries: Smallmouth bass, white perch, chain pickerel

A very good smallmouth bass population existed at Nokomis Pond when the initial surveyed was done in 1960. The bass fishery of this nearly pristine pond was well known for both fast fishing and good size quality. Unfortunately, the bass population declined with the increased popularity of bass fishing in Maine coupled with the lack of spawning and nursery habitat available in Nokomis Pond.

A project to add spawning and nursery habitat by creating rock reefs was carried out by the local high school science class. Smallmouth bass fry were observed utilizing these manmade structures shortly after they were created. The long-term benefit of these structures has not yet been evaluated as to whether smallmouth bass population has increased.

There are two access sites at Nokomis Pond. A trailerable boat launch site is available on the north shore near the Williams Road, while a carry-in site is located off the Libby Hill Road on the south end of the Pond.

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